

# EMC News

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## **ENERGY COMMITTEE REPORT**Submitted by Kenny Christianson

The Energy Committee met on May 27. We discussed goals for the rest of the year, and continued monitoring of the Local Action Plan. We will determine how close we have come to meeting our goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 20% compared to 1998 levels, and set a new goal for the coming years. Members of the committee continue to be active with the Tompkins Renewable Energy Education Alliance, Sustainable Tompkins, and the Planning Department's Energy and Greenhouse Gas Emissions (EGGE) Task Force.

To celebrate its 50th meeting, the Energy Committee would like to invite the EMC to a picnic at Stewart Park's small pavilion on Tuesday, June 24. We will have our regular meeting from 5:00 - 6:00, and a picnic from 6:00 - 8:00. All members of the EMC are invited. We will provide the entrees and beverages. Please bring a small salad or dessert to pass.

### Upcoming EMC meetings!

June 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm July 9<sup>th</sup>, September 10<sup>th</sup>

At the Transit Center



No meeting in August!

#### Town of Newfield Report

Submitted by Kiwi Mackie-Cunningham

#### VanKirk Road Park Update

On June 12, in continued efforts to gain funding for the proposed Town park on VanKirk Road (which was discussed in greater detail at the April 9, 2008 EMC General Meeting), the Newfield Town Board plans to hold the first of several meetings to discuss applying for NYSERDA grants for use of alternative energy on the park site.

#### **Annual Stormwater Report**

The Town Board is currently awaiting public comment on Newfield's Annual Stormwater Report.

#### Planning Board

I am very pleased to announce that the newly formed Newfield Planning Board scheduled its first meeting for June 4!

#### Floating Classroom Excursion

The Newfield sixth grade class enjoyed a trip on the floating classroom on May 9, 2008.

Members: Remember to notify the Chair if you will be absent!
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#### NO COMMITTEE REPORT SUBMITTED

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